

**CITY OF INGLESIDE  
MINUTES  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 23, 2014**

**1. Call meeting to order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m. with Mayor Pete Perkins presiding. Council Members present: Mayor Pete Perkins and Council Members Cynthia Wilson, Ben Tucker, Elaine Kemp, Kevin Robbins, Willie Vaden, and Paul Pierce. Staff present: City Manager, Jim Gray, Finance Director Rosie Vela, and City Secretary Kimberly Drysdale. There were approximately 20 guests.

**2. Invocation**

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

**4. Presentation of Certificate of Appreciation to Dick Ehmann.**

Mayor Perkins presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Dick Ehmann for the years of assistance he has provided to the City of Ingleside with his work in the Wastewater Department. He wrote and maintained a software program that notifies staff when there are high and low triggers so the various lift stations all over Ingleside don't have to be manned 24 hours a day. He has trained City Staff to continue working on the system in the future. This allows the staff to focus on other duties and be notified when there are concerns at a specific area of town.

**5. Presentations from the Audience**

Ingleside Chamber of Commerce Chairman Xavier Valverde introduced Mrs. Niki Shugart as the new Chamber President. Mrs. Shugart thanked the Chamber and City for their support and stated she is looking forward to helping Ingleside grow.

**6. Consideration and action of the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of September 9, 2014.**

Council Member Kemp made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of September 9, 2014 and was seconded by Council Member Wilson. The motion was approved unanimously.

**7. The Council may meet in Closed Executive Session in accordance with Texas Government Code Section 551.071 to "Consult with Attorney" regarding the following items:**

- A) The lawsuit against the City of Ingleside made by Patricia Arnold, Laura McLaughlin, William Priday, and Kevin Robbins involving re-zoning ordinances numbered 1087, 1089, 1090, and 1091; and**
- B) The City of Ingleside vs. the City of Corpus Christi regarding a boundary lawsuit.**

Mayor Perkins recessed the Regular meeting to go into Closed Executive Session at 6:39 p.m.

Mayor Perkins closed the Executive Session and reconvened the Regular meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Council Member Pierce did not attend the portion that discussed the City of Ingleside vs. the City of Corpus Christi boundary lawsuit; nor did Council Member Robbins attend the portion that discussed the lawsuit against the City of Ingleside made by Patricia Arnold, Laura McLaughlin, William Priday, and Kevin Robbins involving re-zoning ordinances numbered 1087, 1089, 1090, and 1091.

8. **A Public Hearing regarding an application for a Special Permit to be allowed to place a manufactured home at 56.05 acres of land out of the W. McDonough Survey, Abstract 184 and the WM Docker No. 2 Lewis Van Zacharias Survey Abstract 272, said 56.05 acres being a 30.56 acre Tract called Tract A and a 25.49 acre Tract called Tract B, also known as 2055 FM 2725 for the purpose of a residential dwelling for her daughter while she attends college locally.**

Mayor Perkins opened the Public Hearing at 7:16 p.m.

Speaking in favor of the Special Permit was owner Ray Asbury. He stated they are requesting this special permit to allow the trailer on their property for their daughter to attend college. They just purchased an additional 20 acres adjacent to their existing 56.05 acres.

There were no speakers against this property.

Mayor Perkins closed the Public Hearing at 7:17 p.m.

9. **Consideration and action of an Ordinance granting a Special Permit to place a manufactured home on property located at 56.05 acres of land out of the W. McDonough Survey, Abstract 184 and the WM. Docker No. 2, Lewis Von Zacharias Survey Abstract 272 said 56.05 acres being a 30.56 acre Tract called Tract A and a 25.49 acre Tract called Tract B, also known as 2055 FM 2725 and further providing for effective date, reading, severance and publication. (First Reading)**

Building Official John Davis explained that due to this property being zoned R-1 (Single Family) they have requested a special permit to place a manufactured home on the property. They have City Water but will need electricity and a septic system. This was recommended unanimously by the Planning and Zoning Commission for a period not to exceed four years.

Council Member Kemp made a motion to pass to a second reading an Ordinance granting a Special Permit to place a manufactured home on property located at 56.05 acres of land out of the W. McDonough Survey, Abstract 184 and the WM. Docker No. 2, Lewis Von Zacharias Survey Abstract 272 said 56.05 acres being a 30.56 acre Tract called Tract A and a 25.49 acre Tract called Tract B, also known as 2055 FM 2725 and further providing for effective date, reading, severance and publication: and was seconded by Council Member Vaden. The motion was approved unanimously.

**10. Consideration and action of a Resolution changing various fees contained in Appendix "A" Fee Schedule of the Ingleside Code of Ordinances and in particular those monthly fees charged to users of solid waste services. (Tabled from 9/9/14)**

City Manager Jim Gray explained that the 2.23% increase is only on the Allied Waste/Republic Service portion of the billing. The difference between their spreadsheet and our Resolution is the City's administrative fee and the brush fee that is built into each schedule. These items are not broken out on the billing because we have limited space on the postcard billing.

Council Member Kemp made a motion to approve Resolution # 1093 changing various fees contained in Appendix "A" Fee Schedule of the Ingleside Code of Ordinances and in particular those monthly fees charged to users of solid waste services; and was seconded by Council Member Tucker. The motion was approved unanimously.

**11. Receive and discuss the City's financial situation, including but not limited to its budget, revenues, expenses, assets and debts.**

Finance Director Rosie Vela provided an overview of the City's Financial Report and explained that the City Wide net decrease of \$137,002.54 is normal for this time of the budget year. We typically don't see the taxes start coming in until November or December of each year. As of August 31, 2014, we are at 97.44% collection of the City's Levy for Tax Year 2013. Also noted were the Emergency Reserve Funds for both the General and Utility Funds.

**12. Discussion and direction from Council to the Staff regarding the proposed Budget and the proposed Tax Revenue for FY 2014/2015.**

Council Member Wilson questioned if the City was still utilizing Paul Baen from time to time regarding finance questions and if so, where those fees were in the budget. City Manager Jim Gray stated they are within the contractual line item instead of the Finance Department. There was also a discussion regarding the funding for the proposed entry way sign. Mr. Gray explained \$35,000 has been noted in the Capital Improvement Project funds as of the April 8, 2014 Council action and there are funds within the Ingleside Development Corporation budget.

**13. Consideration and action of an Ordinance adopting the Annual Budget for the City of Ingleside, Texas for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2014 and ending September 30, 2015; estimating the revenue for said Fiscal Year; appropriating for the purposes stating the sums set forth in said Budget; and directing the City Manager to make necessary entries upon the books and accounts of the City to show the appropriations and allocations herein provided. (Single Reading)**

Council Member Kemp made a motion to approve Ordinance # 1116 adopting the Annual Budget for the City of Ingleside, Texas for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2014 and ending September 30, 2015; estimating the revenue for said Fiscal Year; appropriating for the purposes stating the sums set forth in said Budget; and directing the City Manager to make necessary entries upon the books and accounts of the City to show the appropriations and allocations herein provided: and was seconded by Council Member Tucker.

Council Member Pierce requested an amendment to the budget to remove the \$3,000 from the City Council budget for local travel mileage. Council Member Kemp rejected the requested amendment to her original motion.

The motion to approve Ordinance # 1116 was approved with Mayor Perkins and Council Members Wilson, Tucker, Kemp, Robbins, and Vaden voting aye; and Council Member Pierce voting no.

**14. Consideration and action of an Ordinance providing for the levy of taxes for the year 2014 on all real and personal property within the Corporate Limits of the City of Ingleside, Texas; and appropriating monies for the payment of expenditures for the maintenance and upkeep of the City of Ingleside, and for other purposes. (Single Reading)**

Council Member Kemp made a motion approving Ordinance # 1117 providing for the levy of taxes for the year 2014 on all real and personal property within the Corporate Limits of the City of Ingleside, Texas; and appropriating monies for the payment of expenditures for the maintenance and upkeep of the City of Ingleside, and for other purposes. This year's tax levy to fund maintenance and operations expenditures exceeds last year's maintenance and operations tax levy by \$29,245. The motion was seconded by Council Member Vaden and approved unanimously.

**15. Consideration and action of an Ordinance amending the date and time of regularly scheduled City Council Meetings and amending the deadline for items to be submitted for inclusion on the agenda, providing for effective date, reading, publication, and severance.**

City Manager Jim Gray explained since the Charter Amendment was approved in 2014, the City Ordinance has not been amended to reflect the option for only one meeting per month during November and December. This Ordinance would allow for this change. Additionally, the staff is seeking Council direction regarding this year's meetings in November and December so we can properly plan for upcoming public hearings.

Council Member Pierce made a motion to set the Council Meeting dates as November 18, 2014 and December 16, 2014 and was seconded by Council Member Kemp. The motion was approved unanimously.

Council Member Pierce made a motion to pass to a second reading the Ordinance amending the date and time of regularly scheduled City Council Meetings and amending the deadline for items to be submitted for inclusion on the agenda, providing for effective date, reading, publication, and severance and was seconded by Council Member Kemp. The motion was approved unanimously.

**16. Consideration and action regarding the appointment/reappointment of members to serve on the Ingleside Housing Authority Commission.**

Housing Authority Executive Director Peggy Gaydos requested the City of Ingleside reappoint Idessa Lott and Clyde Simmons to serve on the Ingleside Housing Authority Commission for two-year terms.

Council Member Pierce made a motion to reappoint Idessa Lott and Clyde Simmons to serve on the Ingleside Housing Authority Commission for two-year terms and was seconded by Council Member Vaden. The motion was approved unanimously.

**17. Consideration and action regarding the sale of City property known as Lots 20, 21, and 22, Block 29, R.J. Williams Subdivision.**

City Manager Jim Gray explained that the property known as Lots 20, 21, and 22, Block 29, R.J. Williams Subdivision was gifted to the City of Ingleside due to a lien against the property for the removal of an unsafe structure. The City Staff has maintained the property over the years. At this time, a citizen has inquired if he could purchase the property. If this is something the Council would like to consider, we have to publish and accept sealed bids or live auction. Staff recommends publish and accept sealed bids.

Mayor Perkins made a motion to table this agenda item because the map is miss-numbered and was seconded by Council Member Pierce. The motion was approved unanimously.

**18. Staff Reports**

City Manager Jim Gray provided reminders and updates regarding the following items:

- \* Ingleside Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner set for September 27, 2014
- \* SPEDC Annual Dinner set for October 23, 2014
- \* Oaks by the Bay Apartments located at Avenue A and SH 361
- \* Seaside Landing Apartments directly behind HEB
- \* Construction at Oxy Ingleside Energy Center pictures
- \* Donation from Emas to the Fire Department of \$14,000
- \* Staff to attend the Retail Trade Show in November
- \* Mr. Gray will be on vacation beginning tomorrow and then attending the TML Conference next week. He will be back in the office on October 6, 2014.

**19. Requests from Council Members**

Council Member Tucker questioned if we have had any positive connections from the Retail Coach agreement. City Manager Jim Gray explained that is part of what the Retail Trade Show in November will be for. Retail Coach is setting up interviews with potential retailers to meet with the staff.

**20. Adjourn**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED:**

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Kimberly Drysdale, City Secretary

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Mayor Pete Perkins

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